AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-15. (Canceled)

- 16. (Previously Presented) A multicarrier radio communication system comprising:
 - a first communication device that transmits a signal and includes
 - a transmitting antenna for each channel;
- a by-channel known-signal generating unit that generates known signals by channels, the known signals being spread by a code orthogonal between channels;
- a common known-signal generating unit that generates a common known signal that is common to the channels; and
- a transmission-signal generating unit for each channel that generates a transmission signal for a corresponding channel by allocating user data, the common known signal, and the known signals by channels according to a prescribed frame format, the transmission signal being a signal to be transmitted via corresponding antenna; and
- a second communication device that receives the signal from the first communication device and includes
 - a receiving antenna for each channel:
- an initial synchronizing unit that establishes a timing synchronization and a frequency synchronization using the common known signal; and
- a by-channel known-signal extracting unit that extracts the known signals by channels from a reception signal for each channel, which is a signal received via the receiving antenna, after establishing the timing synchronization.

17. (Previously Presented) The multicarrier radio communication system according to claim 16, wherein

the second communication device further includes

- a despreading unit that despreads the reception signal with the orthogonal code based on information concerning the timing synchronization;
- a matched filtering unit that calculates channel impulse responses by channels from the signal that is despreaded; and
- a preceding-wave searching unit that determines a preceding wave position based on the channel impulse responses, and

the by-channel known signal extracting unit extracts the known signals by channels based on the preceding wave position.

- 18. (Previously Presented) A multicarrier radio communication system comprising:
 - a first communication device that transmits a signal and includes
 - a transmitting antenna for each channel;
- a by-channel known-signal generating unit that generates known signals by channels, the known signals being spread by a code orthogonal between channels;
- a same-period known-signal generating unit that generates a same-period known signal, which is a repetition signal with a period that is same among the channels; and
- a transmission-signal generating unit for each channel that generates a transmission signal for a corresponding channel by allocating user data, the same-period known

signal, and the known signals by channels according to a prescribed frame format, the transmission signal being a signal to be transmitted via corresponding antenna; and

a second communication device that receives the signal from the first communication device and includes

a receiving antenna for each channel;

an initial synchronizing unit that establishes a timing synchronization and a frequency synchronization using the same-period known-signal; and

a by-channel known-signal extracting unit that extracts the known signals by channels from a reception signal for each channel, which is a signal received via the receiving antenna, after establishing the timing synchronization.

 (Previously Presented) The multicarrier radio communication system according to claim 18, wherein

the second communication device further includes

a despreading unit that despreads the reception signal with the orthogonal code based on information concerning the timing synchronization;

a matched filtering unit that calculates channel impulse responses by channels from the signal that is despreaded; and

a preceding-wave searching unit that determines a preceding wave position based on the channel impulse responses, and

the by-channel known signal extracting unit extracts the known signals by channels based on the preceding wave position. Amendment dated September 26, 2008 Reply to Office Action of June 26, 2008

20. (Previously Presented) A multicarrier radio communication system comprising:

a first communication device that transmits a signal and includes

a transmitting antenna for each channel;

a by-channel known-signal generating unit that generates known signals by

channels, the known signals being spread by a code orthogonal between channels;

a same-period known-signal generating unit for each channel that copies

corresponding known signal for corresponding channel, and generates a same-period known

signal, which is a repetition signal with a period that is same among the channels and is

configured by a plurality of the same known signals by channels which are copied; and

a transmission-signal generating unit for each channel that generates a

transmission signal for a corresponding channel by allocating user data, the same-period known

signal, and the known signals by channels according to a prescribed frame format, the

transmission signal being a signal to be transmitted via corresponding antenna; and

a second communication device that receives the signal from the first communication

device and includes

a receiving antenna for each channel;

an initial synchronizing unit that establishes a timing synchronization and a

frequency synchronization using the same-period known signal; and

a by-channel known-signal extracting unit that extracts the known signals by

channels from a reception signal for each channel, which is a signal received via the receiving

antenna, after establishing the timing synchronization.

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(Previously Presented) The multicarrier radio communication system according to claim 20,
wherein

the second communication device further includes

- a despreading unit that despreads the reception signal with the orthogonal code based on information concerning the timing synchronization:
- a matched filtering unit that calculates channel impulse responses by channels from the signal that is despreaded; and
- a preceding-wave searching unit that determines a preceding wave position based on the channel impulse responses, and

the by-channel known signal extracting unit extracts the known signals by channels based on the preceding wave position.

- 22. (Previously Presented) A communication device for transmitting a signal comprising:
 - a transmitting antenna for each channel;
- a by-channel known-signal generating unit that generates known signals by channels, the known signals being spread by a code orthogonal between channels;
- a common known-signal generating unit that generates a common known signal that is common to the channels: and
- a transmission-signal generating unit for each channel that generates a transmission signal for a corresponding channel by allocating user data, the common known signal, and the

known signals by channels according to a prescribed frame format, the transmission signal being a signal to be transmitted via corresponding antenna.

23. (Previously Presented) A communication device for transmitting a signal comprising:

a transmitting antenna for each channel;

a by-channel known-signal generating unit that generates known signals by channels, the

known signals being spread by a code orthogonal between channels;

a same-period known-signal generating unit that generates a same-period known signal,

which is a repetition signal with a period that is same among the channels; and

a transmission-signal generating unit for each channel that generates a transmission

signal for a corresponding channel by allocating user data, the common known signal, and the

known signals by channels according to a prescribed frame format, the transmission signal being

a signal to be transmitted via corresponding antenna.

24. (Previously Presented) A communication device for transmitting a signal comprising:

a transmitting antenna for each channel;

a by-channel known-signal generating unit that generates known signals by channels, the

known signals being spread by a code orthogonal between channels;

a same-period known-signal generating unit for each channel that copies corresponding

known signal for corresponding channel, and generates a same-period known signal, which is a

repetition signal with a period that is same among the channels and is configured by a plurality

of the same known signals by channels which are copied; and

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a transmission-signal generating unit for each channel that generates a transmission

signal for a corresponding channel by allocating user data, the common known signal, and the

known signals by channels according to a prescribed frame format, the transmission signal being

a signal to be transmitted via corresponding antenna.

25. (Previously Presented) A communication device for receiving a signal comprising:

a receiving antenna for each channel;

an initial synchronizing unit that establishes a timing synchronization and a frequency

synchronization using a common known signal that are common among channels; and

a by-channel known-signal extracting unit that extracts known signals that is

spread by a code orthogonal between the channels, by channels, from a reception signal for each

channel, which is a signal received via the receiving antenna, after establishing the timing

synchronization.

26. (Previously Presented) The communication device according to claim 25, further comprising:

a despreading unit that despreads the reception signal with the orthogonal code based on

information concerning the timing synchronization;

a matched filtering unit that calculates channel impulse responses by channels from the

signal that is despreaded; and

a preceding-wave searching unit that determines a preceding wave position based on the

channel impulse responses, and

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the by-channel known signal extracting unit extracts the known signals by channels based

on the preceding wave position.

27. (Previously Presented) A communication device for receiving a signal comprising:

a receiving antenna for each channel;

an initial synchronizing unit that establishes a timing synchronization and a frequency

synchronization using a same-period known signal, which is a repetition signal with a period that

is same among channels; and

a by-channel known-signal extracting unit that extracts

known signals that is spread by a code orthogonal between channels, by channels, a reception

signal for each channel, which is a signal received via the receiving antenna, after establishing

the timing synchronization.

28. (Previously Presented) The communication device according to claim 27, further comprising:

a despreading unit that despreads the reception signal with the orthogonal code based on

information concerning the timing synchronization;

a matched filtering unit that calculates channel impulse responses by channels from the

signal that is despreaded; and

a preceding-wave searching unit that determines a preceding wave position based on the

channel impulse responses, and

the by-channel known signal extracting unit extracts the known signals by channels based

on the preceding wave position.

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29. (Previously Presented) A communication device for receiving a signal comprising:

a receiving antenna for each channel;

an initial synchronizing unit that establishes a timing synchronization and a frequency

synchronization using a same-period known signal, which is a repetition signal with a period that

is same among channels and is configured by a plurality of same known signals by channels; and

a by-channel known-signal extracting unit that extracts known signals that is spread by a

code orthogonal between channels, by channels, from a reception signal for each channel, which

is a signal received via the receiving antenna, after establishing the timing synchronization.

30. (Previously Presented) The communication device according to claim 29, further comprising:

a despreading unit that despreads the reception signal with the orthogonal code based on

information concerning the timing synchronization;

a matched filtering unit that calculates channel impulse responses by channels from the

signal that is despreaded; and

a preceding-wave searching unit that determines a preceding wave position based on the

channel impulse responses, and

the by-channel known signal extracting unit extracts the known signals by channels based

on the preceding wave position.

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